UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO EASTERN DIVISION

IN RE: NATIONAL PRESCRIPTION OPIATE LITIGATION

This document relates to:

The County of Summit, Ohio, et al. v. Purdue Pharma L.P., et al. Case No. 18-op-45090

The County of Cuyahoga, et al. v. Purdue Pharma L.P., et al. Case No. 17-op-45004 CASE NO.1:17-MD-2804

Hon. Dan Aaron Polster

PHARMACY DEFENDANTS' POSITION PAPERS REGARDING PLEADINGS PREVIOUSLY FILED WITH REDACTIONS OR UNDER SEAL

Pursuant to this Court's order, ECF No. 1725, the Pharmacy Defendants¹ submit this position paper regarding pleadings that they previously jointly filed with redactions or under seal.²

I. Objections to Discovery Rulings No. 2 and No. 3: ECF Nos. 785 and 839

The Pharmacy Defendants filed their Objections to Discovery Rulings No. 2 and No. 3 with redactions, ECF No. 785, and under seal, ECF No. 839. Those pleadings should remain redacted and under seal. Both the redactions and the sealing are based on the fact that the pleading and its exhibits contain ARCOS data, *see* ECF No. 838 (order granting motion to seal),

¹ For purposes of this position paper, the Pharmacy Defendants are CVS Rx Services, Inc., CVS Indiana, LLC, Discount Drug Mart, Inc., Rite Aid of Maryland, Inc., Walgreen Co., Walgreen Eastern Co., Inc., and Walmart Inc.

² In accordance with the Court's July 5 Order Amending Procedures Regarding Redactions and Filing of Briefs Under Seal (ECF No. 1813), the Pharmacy Defendants will be addressing the *Daubert* and summary judgment motions separately through the procedure ordered by this Court.

and this Court has ordered the parties to "continue their adherence to the provisions in the ARCOS Protective Order" until the Sixth Circuit issues the mandate in *In re: National Prescription Opiate Litigation*, 2019 WL 2529050 (6th Cir. June 20, 2019), *see* ECF No. 1813.

Once the issues regarding the ARCOS data are resolved, the Pharmacy Defendants will revisit, if necessary, the portions of ECF Nos. 785 and 839 that were redacted and sealed.

Proceeding in this fashion will ensure that the Pharmacy Defendants comply with this Court's directives regarding ARCOS data.

II. Partial Objection of Distributor Defendants and Pharmacy Defendants to Discovery Ruling No. 7: ECF Nos. 1122 and 1123.

CVS Rx Services, Inc., CVS Indiana, LLC, Rite Aid of Maryland, Inc., Walgreen Co., Walgreen Eastern Co., Inc., and Walmart Inc. jointly filed a partial objection to Discovery Ruling No. 7 with the Distributor Defendants. *See* ECF No. 1122 (redacted) and 1123 (under seal). Those pleadings are being addressed in the Distributor Defendants' Position Paper.

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